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RE: P 66 Oil Train Proposal

Please vote NO on the P66 proposal. I live 'up-rail' in Butte County, California. Please consider that this proposal has profound effects on our area also, as oil train traffic would increase significantly here. The rail tracks run through residential areas, close to schools and hospitals, creeks and rivers. Inspection of the tracks shows that the tracks have the same defects that caused the derailment in Mosier, Oregon. Also, of very serious concern is the Feather River Canyon route. This has been classified as a 'High Risk' route due to rock and mud slides (there have been 44 already this year!). Derailments are not uncommon here. The frightening part is that derailments pour into the Feather River, which drains into Lake Oroville, source of drinking water to millions of Californians. This is such a grave situation the Butte County Board of Supervisors and our U.S. Representative to Congress have made demands to the Federal Railroad Agency to address this situation immediately.

A 'yes' vote is taking a big risk on the DOT 117's, as there is significant question about any improvement over the CPC 1232s, which turned out to be no protection in Mosier.

Please, do the right thing, vote NO. Your vote is vital to protect the lives of our citizens, and precious natural resources here in Northern California.